

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 511

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A RESOLUTION to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the creation of Lakeshore Park in Knoxville.

WHEREAS, 2003 marks the 10th anniversary of the official signing of the Lakeshore Park Agreement between the State of Tennessee and the City of Knoxville, outlining the creation of Lakeshore Park in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, the development of Lakeshore Park would not have been possible without the support and cooperation of Governor Ned McWherter, the State Building Commission, the Knox County legislative delegation, the State Department of Veterans Affairs, the State Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities and Lakeshore Mental Health Institute and its superintendent, Lee Thomas; and

WHEREAS, Lakeshore Park has become one of the most popular parks in Knoxville, drawing thousands of visitors each day and providing outstanding recreational opportunities for children and adults across the city and county, with each year witnessing an increase in the park's popularity; and

WHEREAS, Lakeshore Park has furthered Knoxville's reputation as the Southeast's "City of Parks"; and

WHEREAS, a public park that is open to all citizens and visitors is the highest and best use of this public land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Knoxville intends to protect and improve this natural space for the benefit of all of Knoxville's residents, and this legislative body would be remiss to let pass this golden opportunity to affirm our support of such noble efforts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate the City of Knoxville upon the 10th Anniversary of the creation of Lakeshore Park and affirm our support of the further development and maintenance of the park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.